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Announcement.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Treasurer and Ex-Officio Collector, subject to the decision of either the democratic convention or primary.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

N. CUNNINGHAM.

For Mayor.

JOHN EMERSON.

HENRY ANGELL.

For Trustees.

J. S. HUNT.

For Marshal.

GEORGE DUNCAN.

For Town Recorder.

J. S. CROZIER.

For Member Board of Education.

The democrats of Eddy met at the court house Tuesday night and have submitted the ticket found at the head of this column, to the voters of Eddy for their final acceptance or rejection next Tuesday. The ticket is headed by Mr. N. Cunningham for mayor who will undoubtedly be elected, and who will make a model official; the other names on the ticket are from among our best people, Mr. Angell being heavily interested in the town and Mr. Emerson is young man of a good family and liberal education. Mr. Crozier has served on the board of education for a couple of years and is an active member. Both the other members favored his re-election so it is presumed no better selection could be made. Should another ticket be placed in the field it will find a formidable opposition. The marshal nominee Mr. Hunt is an old Texas ranger and a man who will fill that thankless position as well as any other person in the town. Mr. Duncan has acted as recorder for some years. He will undoubtedly be returned.

It looks like war; in fact it would seem war is in the air; the people of the United States want war, and war they will have. The president has gone as far as he can to preserve peaceful relations and now the inevitable must come. The Alabama claims which presented greater cause for war than the destruction of the Maine, were settled by arbitration, but that was at a time when the American people had not only had a taste of war, but a full and glutinous repast. Now it is different; a new generation has grown up and long continued peace has engendered the old war spirit which is as difficult to control as to stop bees from swarming. What would the United States have done had England undertook to send supplies to the confederacy during the civil war under the cloak of humanitarianism? There were more people starved and killed in the south during the war than have met death in Cuba; still we heard nothing about "armed intervention" or sending supplies to the south by any other power. But war is sure and certain, the people want war, even without cause or half the cause, that has presented at various times in the history of the United States. There is no need for war, but if it comes Spain is a goner for old Uncle Sam will wipe her out of existence. The only danger lies in the probability of arousing the war spirit in other countries than Spain and eventually drawing in Germany, Italy, Austria and France and possibly Russia. Should the United States so far transgress international law as to bring down the concure and disrespect of other civilized lands, she may have all the war she wants ere the end is come. If only those who hold that the revolutionaries in Cuba have a right to defy the rights of Spain, were called upon to sustain "Old Glory," then war would be fun; fun to see the jingos get a good mess of war. But such good things never happen; instead those who are the last to consent to war are the first to shoulder a gun. It was so during the war between England and the colonies; it was so between the north and south and will be so again. If war comes there will be no A. P. Apes. They will all climb trees, for religious intolerance will be forgotten and if it goes very far there will be need of every loyal citizen at the front. Oh, that we could have a war between the jingos only. The United States should call on Spain to settle for the Maine and her crew, the vessel having been destroyed in Spanish waters. Then settle the matter as the Alabama claims were settled if, as was demonstrated by the board of inquiry, the Maine was blown up by outside agencies and not internal explosion, which seems certain at present. If war comes prices for produce will increase. Honey, which is very cheap, may advance to a good figure. Hogs, which have been down for three years, will go up with a bound and horses will strike a high figure ere war is over. A little war would be a good thing for the United States just now, but too much would be a curse.

LOCALS BY JIM.

Emile Pook is on the work list this week.

Crozier & Murray had an auction Saturday and an election Tuesday.

A. L. Douglass has retired to Roswell where he will be a hermit a while.

There was a dance Tuesday night at the court house—Crozier's opera house.

Joseph Cunningham is getting to be quite a cowboy; he can make a broncho walk a barb wire fence.

Frank Lavery is getting to be quite a good boy; he has been taking Douglass girl to church the past three nights.

Mr. Murray the second hand man sports a new suit and will open a dry goods store when his suit gets wore enough.

Nate Cunningham has been on the sick list this week and his father N. Cunningham blames his last weeks job on Mr. Kerr.

Phil Kircher gave up his job of champion bicyclist for Bert secured him off the geography. Bert made a record of a mile a minute.

WARNING: If Sheriff Steward wants to see the editor of the locals by Jim he will not be at home when he comes down. P. S.—The editor is on a whiz this week.

Leu Fullen said he was going to get a boy to write locals to compare with the locals by Jim. The editor of the locals by Jim is talking now; if he does get one I suppose the locals by boy or locals by Leu will be pretty rocky.

The O. K. horse blacksmith partnership; has one customer in their feed yard; has a two wheeled back with a half tent over it, the blacksmith partnership is the best feed yard in the county.

Mills the water man will start a oil and gas well in Dark Canon. Mr. Mills is getting to be very popular in the city. He will continue his well next Monday so the people of Eddy will not freeze to death for something to burn when the mesquite wood plays out. The people of Eddy are supposed to give Mr. Mills three cheers.

All I could find. JIM.

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Town Democrats Meet.

EDDY, N. M., Mar. 29, '98.

Meeting of democrats of town of Eddy called to order by J. S. Crozier, chairman town committee, at 8:15 p. m., at the court house in Eddy. Mr. Crozier stated that the objects of the meeting were to nominate a ticket for city officers.

J. M. Murray was nominated chairman and on motion elected.

Wm H. Mullane was nominated secretary and on motion elected.

The chairman asked how the meeting would nominate, by viva voce or secret ballot. The meeting decided by unanimous vote to adopt the secret ballot. Chairman appointed Robert Breeding to assist the secretary to prepare ballots.

Chair appointed J. S. Crozier, N. Cunningham and M. P. Kerr as committee on resolutions who presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS: The democrats of the town of Eddy have met in convention to nominate candidates to fill the offices of mayor, two councilmen and one member of the board of education; therefore,

Resolved: That, if by the vote of the people of Eddy we are elected to fill said offices, we do pledge ourselves, that, so far as practicable, we will use all available funds for the maintaining of our public schools, and will recommend such free education as the funds will permit. And will make such other public improvements that will come within our power; and be it further,

Resolved: That we stand by the principles of democracy as laid down by the Chicago platform, and do earnestly call on all good citizens of Eddy to aid us in support of said principles.

M. P. KERR, Chairman.

Crozier placed in nomination N. Cunningham for mayor. On motion of Mr. Lallance rules were suspended and nomination of Mr. Cunningham was made unanimous. Carried.

Nomination of one of members of town trustees declared in order. Mr. Lallance placed in nomination J. O. Cameron; Billy Curran nominated J. S. Crozier; Joe Hunt nominated Jno. Emerson. Crozier's nomination withdrawn. Kerr and Kell appointed tellers. Emerson received 21 votes and Cameron 11 votes.

W. H. Mullane and Henry Angell nominated. Mullane received 10 votes; Angell 22 votes. Angell declared nominated.

G. F. A. Robertson and J. S. Crozier nominated for members board of education. Crozier received 24 votes; Robertson 8. Crozier declared nominated.

J. S. Hunt nominated for city marshal and elected by acclamation.

Geo. Duncan nominated for city recorder and elected by unanimous vote.

W. R. Owen placed in nomination for chairman town committee; also J. M. Murray and G. F. A. Robertson as members of same. Rules suspended and nominations were made unanimous.

Motion to adjourn; carried. J. M. MURRAY, Secretary.

A Note of Warning.

The rush from all parts of the country to Alaska is bringing into this territory too many men without means but who are willing to work, as we, as those without means of inclination to labor.

We are reliably informed that there are many men in the states who are throwing up good positions to join the general rush to Alaska and the Klondike. We regret so hear this. No man, who is making a comfortable living for himself and family, is justified in abandoning a remunerative position in the hope of regaining a fortune in another land. It is unfortunately, only to true, that distance lends enchantment to the view. The green fields are always "just over yonder," when the truth is that the same green fields too frequently prove arid and more barren than these left behind.

The News has pointed out from time to time the great opportunities presented by Alaska. This great territory has mines, and fisheries and timber, all of which await development, and which will richly reward the man who has pluck and energy, and some money to tide him over the period that must elapse until he secures a foot hold.

Until very recently there was an opportunity for every man coming to Skagway to secure work at fair or even good wages. And with the advent of hundreds into a limited field, as far as labor is concerned the opportunity has passed, and the man who now comes to Alaska, without money, with the hope of at once being able to secure work will be bitterly disappointed. In the Alaska towns there are to day hundreds of men who would gladly work if they could secure a chance. They cannot for there is nothing for them to do. The supply of labor is far in excess of the demand, the News feels compelled, in justice to itself and the community it represents, to sound the note of warning. Alaska, at the present time, is no place for the man without means. The labor market is flooded, and much distress will inevitably result to those who come here expecting to get work of some kind on their arrival.

Alaska is no place for a man without means, we repeat no matter how hard working, how industrious he may be, simply because the labor supply exceeds the demand, and development of the country's resources must come first before there will be any extra demand for labor, and especially for unskilled labor.—Skagway News, Jan. 28 1898.

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Vick's Garden and Floral Guide.

The annual catalogue sent out by the old reliable seed establishment of James Vick's Sons, comes to hand in a dainty and tasty cover of blue, pink, yellow and orange. The Golden Lily, the Pink Day-break Aster, a brace of blue birds, and the artistic lettering in black, blue, green, crimson and gold, all in harmonious combinations, make a cover of exquisite design and appearance. Many of the illustrations are fine half-tones. Four handsome colored plates of begonias, dahlias, nasturtiums and sweet peas add to the attractions. The list of seeds and plants covers a large varied assortment including nearly everything that can be desired for the garden, the lawn, the greenhouse. Valuable new varieties are offered as well as the thoroughly tried and proved standard sorts. Vick's novelties are noted for their uniform excellence.

In vegetables the Graciosa pea is a great advance over all other "extra early" varieties. The June Wax Bean is an essential gain in that line. Potato growers are offered the "White Beauty" as a new with model qualities, combining size high quality and great productiveness. But it is impossible here to note the many valuable offerings of this firm in fruits, flowers and vegetables. If you are not a customer of this firm send for their catalogue. It is free to all applicants. Address James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y.

The Chilean battleship O'Higgins has occupied much attention lately, owing to the efforts of Spain to purchase her. The name of the ship has inspired many paragraphs, because it is so unlike the Spanish-American title. A student of south American history, however, shows conclusively that "O'Higgins" is a name of prime rank in Chile, and says: "An O'Higgins was president of Chile under Spanish rule, and was a man of such extraordinary ability that he hurriedly rose to the proud and powerful position of viceroy of Peru. His name was Ambrosio O'Higgins, and he was born in Ireland in 1720. He was successively a Chilean engineer, captain of cavalry, colonel, brigadier, major general, president, marquis, viceroy, general and finally viceroy of Peru. He improved means of communication all over the country, founded the city of San Ambrosio de Ballester and rebuilt the city Oranqui. His son, Bernardo O'Higgins, for whom the Chilean battleship is named, was the first president of Chile after that country achieved its independence from Spain. It was this O'Higgins who defeated a Spanish fleet under Oranqui and ended for ever the naval power of Spain in the Pacific. Bernardo O'Higgins was the father of his country.—Free Chile—was Washington with the father of his country.—Free America.

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Official Notice.

PECOS IRRIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT CO., OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER.
EDDY, N. M., March 1, 1898.
Mr. James T. Taylor, Chief Engineer of the Pecos Irrigation and Improvement Company, has laid charge of the water department and all matters relating to the same are under his direction.
He will report direct to the president.
J. J. HAGEMAN, President.

PECOS IRRIGATION AND IMPROVEMENT CO., JAN. T. TAYLOR, M. A. S. S. C. E., Chief Engineer.
Rules and regulations governing the distribution and use of water for the owners and renters of land under the canal system of the Pecos Irrigation and Improvement Company in Eddy and Chaves counties, New Mexico, for the irrigating season of 1898.

(1.) Sufficient water necessary for the production of good, average crops under a proper system of skillful irrigation and cultivation will be furnished each consumer. Water running at night must be handled and cared for in such a manner as to get the best results with the least possible loss. In case where water is wasted, the ditch rider will call the attention of the consumer to the fact and notify the chief engineer. If such waste is continued by the same consumer after proper notice has been given, the company reserves the right to make a charge for such water, based on the annual water rate. It is understood that all water will be carefully measured and a record kept thereof.

(2.) Continuous streams of stock or domestic water will not be supplied except by special arrangement with the chief engineer; cisterns, reservoirs or tanks can be filled when the irrigating supply is running and every reasonable assistance will be given consumers to keep an ample supply on hand.

(3.) Water shall not be delivered in heads of less than one-tenth of a cubic foot per second, nor for a shorter period than twenty-four hours, except where special arrangement can be made with the ditch rider for a short period to irrigate gardens, etc.

(4.) A written application must be made to the chief engineer at his office, or to the ditch rider, stating the amount of water desired, length of time and the tract to be irrigated, giving a reasonable notice.

(5.) All orders for water must be filled in the order of the application from the canal supplying the lands to be irrigated.

(6.) The ditch rider shall promptly report to the chief engineer any defects, leaks or breaks, in the reservoirs, canal, conduits, ditches or outlets on any part of the system. They shall measure the water ordered to be delivered by the chief engineer according to his instructions. They shall also report as soon as possible any stoppage in the flow of water and shall receive and carry out instructions regarding the turning, measuring and handling of water, and keep the system in proper order.

(7.) The irrigators must prevent any waste of water, and for any damage arising therefrom they shall be held liable under the contract.

(8.) The ditch riders are the only persons authorized to turn the water on and off the canal, lateral, ditch, gate or outlet (except the chief engineer or his assistants); at such times as said chief engineer may deem necessary in making repairs, alterations, etc., or in operating the system.

(9.) No person or persons shall make any check, outlet, gate or alteration whatever in or about any gate, outlet, flume, ditch or canal, or shall cause the same to be made by any person without the written consent of the chief engineer.

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124 separate analysis, chiefly carload lots, showed an average of 17.01 per cent sugar in beet; 84.1 per cent purity. This remarkable result was accomplished by raw farmers, unacquainted with the culture of beet root, on new land and under very trying circumstances, as the factory was not assured until May, and a majority of the acreage was planted between June 1st and August 10th.

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